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APPLICANTS' RESPONSE TO THE JUNE 30, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	*34	MINUS	**34	X	() X 25.00 () X 50.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	*2	MINUS	2	X	() X 100.00 () X 200.00	
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.			() YES () NO		() \$180.00 () \$360.00 ONE TIME	
			TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		\$0.00	

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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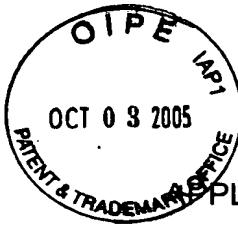
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Applicants and their counsel have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated June 30, 2005, but believe the claims as originally filed are patentable over the teachings of the references relied upon by the Examiner. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following arguments in support of patentability is therefore respectfully requested.

R E M A R K S

In the Office Action dated June 30, 2005, claims 1 and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Tuy in view of Ning. Claims 11-16 and 28-33 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Tuy and Ning, further in view of Larson et al.

These rejections are respectfully traversed for the reasons set forth below.

Applicants note with appreciation that claims 2-10, 17, 19-27 and 34 were stated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form, but in view of the traversal of the above rejections, these claims have been retained in dependent form at this time.